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TAGS: PINT, UR
SUBJECT: REPORTED REOPENING OF LUTHERAN CHURCH IN
LENINGRAD AREA

1. A RECENT ISSUE OF "THE INFORMATION BULLETIN OF THE
MISSIONARY FUND 'LIGHT IN THE EAST'" (MITTEILUNGEN
VOM MISSIONSFOND LICHT IM OSTEN), A RELIGIOUS JOURNAL
PUBLISHED IN MUNICH, REPORTS THAT A LUTHERAN CHURCH WAS RE-
OPENED IN THE LENINGRAD SUBURB OF PUSHKIN ON
DECEMBER 11, 1977. THE PUBLICATION CLAIMS THAT THIS
IS THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH TO BE OPENED IN THE USSR
SINCE 1935.

2. EDGAR HARK, THE ESTONIAN LUTHERAN ARCHBISHOP PROVOST
(PROVST), IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONIES
MARKING THE REOPENING OF THE FORMER SAINT CATHERINE
CHURCH IN PUSHKIN ON DECEMBER 11, 1977. A FINNISH
PASTOR NAMED (FNU) LAUNIKARI IS ALSO REPORTED TO HAVE
ATTENDED THE CEREMONIES. FINNISH, ESTONIAN, GERMAN,
LATVIAN AND RUSSIAN-SPEAKING LUTHERANS ARE SAID TO HAVE
TAKEN PART IN THE CEREMONIES.

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3. CAN CONGEN LENINGRAD CONFIRM REOPENING OF THIS
CHURCH? BETTS

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